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1. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY BLAKE (IO) MET WITH HIJZEN, EC COMMISSION DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS, ON JULY 23 TO DISCUSS THE FORTHCOMING UNGA SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION. PHAN VAN PHI, DIRECTOR UNDER HIJZEN FOR RELATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, WAS ALSO PRESENT. BLAKE OUTLINED THE US APPROACH AS IT IS DEVELOPING, PROVIDED ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND ON THE SECRETARY'S MILWAUKEE SPEECH PER REF A, AND STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE US AND THE EC STAYING IN CLOSE TOUCH PRIOR TO THE NEW YORK SESSION. HIJZEN APPRECIATED BEING DEPT INFORMED AND AGREED THAT CLOSE CONSULTATION WILL BE ESSENTIAL.

2. HIJZEN, WHO WILL BE THE SENIOR COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE IN NEW YORK, NOTED RECENT EC EFFORTS TO
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HAMMER OUT A COORDINATED POSITION FOR SEPTEMBER AND

BRIEFLY WENT OVER THE SUBSTANCE OF THE PAPER ON RAW MATERIALS APPROVED BY THE EC COUNCIL JULY 22 (REFTEL B). HE SAID THE COMMUNITY INTENDS TO PLAY A CONSTRUCTIVE AND COOPERATIVE ROLE IN NEW YORK BUT THAT IT WOULD NOT BE IN A POSITION TO PRESENT IN DETAILED FORM OR DEBATE IN DEPTH SUBSTANTIVE PROPOSALS AT THE JUNCTURE AS THE EC'S TIMETABLE IS DIRECTED MORE TOWARD RESUMPTION OF THE PRODUCER-CONSUMER DIALOGUE THEREAFTER.

3. ON TIMING AND TACTICS, HIJZEN NOTED THAT EARLY GENERAL DEBATE WILL INCLUDE SPEECHES BY SECRETARY KISSINGER AND BY RUMOR IN HIS CAPACITY AS EC COUNCIL PRESIDENT. THE CONTENT OF THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH WILL BE ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TO THE EC AS A MEASURE OF OUR INTENTIONS AND A GUIDE FOR THE EC IN ADDING THE DETAILS TO ITS GENERAL APPROACH. BLAKE AND HIJZEN RECOGNIZED THAT, WHILE IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES TO HAVE A HARMONIZED APPROACH-- AND WHILE THE US AND THE EC HAVE SIMILAR OBJECTIVES-- SOME DIFFERENCES COULD ARISE ON SPECIFIC POINTS. CAREFUL AND TIMELY CONSULTATION COULD, HOWEVER, MINIMIZE THE RISK THAT THE US OR THE EC MIGHT INADVERTENTLY HEM THE OTHER IN TO UNACCEPTABLE POSITIONS ON SPECIFIC DETAILS.

4. HIJZEN INDICATED THAT THE EC'S WASHINGTON OFFICE WILL SHORTLY BE FULLY BRIEFED ON THE EC'S RAW MATERIALS POSITION (AS WELL AS OTHER ASPECTS) AND IN A POSITION TO TALK FURTHER WITH THE DEPARTMENT ON THE "POSSIBILITIES AND LIMITS" FOR SEPTEMBER AS THE EC SEES THEM.

5. THIS CABLE WAS DRAFTED AFTER AMBASSADOR BLAKE'S DEPARTURE. MORRIS

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